# BEFORE THE MEDICAL BOARD OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Petition for Interim Order of Suspension against:

**ALEXANDER BRIAN MEYER, M.D.** 

Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate No. A 70543

Respondent

Agency Case No. 800-2022-087811

OAH No. 2022080691

# ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR INTERIM ORDER OF SUSPENSION

Thomas Heller, Administrative Law Judge (ALJ), Office of Administrative Hearings, State of California, heard this matter by videoconference on September 9, 2022.

Rebecca L. Smith, Deputy Attorney General, represented petitioner William Prasifka, Executive Director of the Medical Board of California (Board).

Respondent Alexander Brian Meyer, M.D. represented himself.

Based on the evidence and the stipulation described below, the ALI grants the petition as follows.

## **FACTUAL FINDINGS**

- 1. On December 17, 1999, the Board issued Physician's and Surgeon's Certificate Number A 70543 to respondent. That license will expire on August 31, 2023, unless renewed.
- 2. Petitioner filed the petition for an interim order of suspension while acting in his official capacity as Executive Director of the Board. The petition alleges respondent's ability to practice medicine safely is impaired due to an alcohol use disorder order and a cannabis use disorder that affect his competency.
- 3. The declarations and other evidence accompanying the petition support a finding that respondent's ability to practice medicine safely is impaired as alleged.
- 4. At the hearing on the petition, respondent did not contest petitioner's allegations or evidence, and respondent stipulated on the record to the interim order of suspension requested in the petition.

### **LEGAL CONCLUSIONS**

1. An administrative law judge on the Medical Quality Hearing Panel established under Government Code section 11371 may issue an interim order of suspension if the affidavits in support of the petition "show that the licensee . . . is unable to practice safely due to a mental or physical condition, and that permitting the

licensee to continue to engage in the profession for which the license was issued will endanger the public health, safety, or welfare." (Gov. Code, § 11529, subd. (a).)

2. Based on petitioner's evidence and respondent's stipulation, an interim order of suspension is warranted. Petitioner's evidence satisfies the requirements of Government Code section 11529, and respondent does not oppose the requested interim order of suspension.

### **ORDER**

The Petition for Interim Order of Suspension is granted against respondent Alexander Brian Meyer, M.D., as follows:

- 1. Respondent shall not practice or attempt to practice any aspect of medicine or surgery.
- 2. Respondent shall not advertise, by any means, or hold himself out as practicing or available to practice medicine or to supervise assistants.
- 3. Respondent shall not be present in any location or office which is maintained for the practice of medicine, or at which medicine is practiced, for any purpose except as a patient or as a visitor of family or friends.
- 4. Respondent shall not possess, order, purchase, receive, prescribe, furnish, administer, or otherwise distribute controlled substances or dangerous drugs as defined by federal or state law, except as may be lawfully prescribed to respondent by a licensed medical professional.

- 5. Respondent shall not do any other act for which a physician's and surgeon's certificate is required.
- 6. Respondent shall be required, upon receipt of the order of suspension, to immediately deliver to the Board, or its agent, for safekeeping pending a final Board order in this matter, all indicia of his licensure as a physician, including but not limited to his wall certificate and wallet card issued by the Board, as well as all prescription forms, all prescription drugs not legally prescribed to respondent by his treating physician and surgeon, all Drug Enforcement Administration Drug Order forms, and all Drug Enforcement Administration registrations and permits.
- 7. Failure to comply with the restrictions and conditions outlined above shall be a violation of this Order and cause for discipline, including immediate suspension and/or revocation of licensure.
- 8. The Board may take such other and further action as necessary and proper to enforce this interim order of suspension, and to protect the People of the State of California.

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If an accusation is not filed and served pursuant to Government Code sections 11503 and 11505 within 30 days of the date on which the parties submitted the matter, the order shall be dissolved. (Gov. Code, § 11529, subd. (f).)

DATE: 09/12/2022

Thomas Heller (Sep 12, 2022 12:41 PDT)

THOMAS HELLER

Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearing